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Memorandum

TO : OC Equipment Board Members

DATE: 20 September 1976

25X1 FROM : [REDACTED]
Secretary, OC Equipment Board

SUBJECT: Minutes of OC Equipment Board Meeting No. 4-76

1. Meeting No. 4-76 of the OC Equipment Board was held at 1400 hours on 15 September 1976. The first part of this meeting was also attended by the OC Executive Board. Those present were:

[REDACTED]

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25X1 [REDACTED] began the meeting with a briefing on the proposed SC-3 [REDACTED] terminal. The briefing covered the capabilities and configuration of the SC-3, a comparison to the present SC-1 terminal and the estimated costs of the SC-3, along with a procurement schedule. Also covered were the retrofit programs for the SC-1 terminals and the overall schedule of the [REDACTED] program for the next three Fiscal Years.

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2. Upon completion of the SC-3 briefing, the Equipment Board adjourned to allow for a short meeting of the OC Executive Board.

25X1 3. The Equipment Board reconvened and [REDACTED] gave a briefing on the Barry Research Modem Evaluation conducted between [REDACTED] and also between [REDACTED]. The results of this evaluation were quite favorable in terms of HF circuit reliability improvement when the B-R Modems are used.

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25X1 4. Following this briefing, [] opened the discussion by posing the question on where to proceed now that the Barry Research Modem has proven to be useful. He stated that there are seven of these modems on order besides the four units that were used in the evaluation and left in place. He proposed that these stock units be used only at field stations where there are problems with HF circuit reliability and a [] installation is not planned there in the near future. 25X1 Hopefully, there would be no need to procure additional units. [] said that the Operations Staff was already considering the use of B-R Modems on troublesome HF circuits and would advise Engineering on which circuits needed these modems.

25X1 5. During the discussion, a question was raised concerning the American Computer Communications, Inc., coding device which was evaluated along with the B-R Modem. [] said that the ACC device did not work well on HF circuits and had been dropped from consideration since there was no real need for it on landline circuits. 25X1 [] said there may be stations in [] that could use the ACC to improve the traffic quality. Mr. 25X1 [] pointed out that error control equipment would be installed only where circuit reliability was a problem. A motion was then made to use Barry Research Modems only on circuits that have reliability problems and are not 25X1 due for [] conversion in the near future. This motion was approved unanimously by the Board.

6. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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